

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Happenings of the Day in Various Parts of the Nation's Capital.

The plaster image of a saint stood safely in the shed while John West, the owner, slept soundly in his bed. A thief came down the alley and stood before the door, looked in through a tiny crack and saw the dirty floor. On the floor there rested in the dead still hour of night the plaster image of the saint, calm, serene and white.

The thief paused not a moment, gently he opened the door, and picked the plaster-paris saint right up from off the dirty floor. John West lives on Sixth street, number 1222, and was early in the morning, before the theft he knew John took the loss to heart, 'twas as much as he could bear, to stand in the empty shed and see the saint not there.

He called police headquarters and told them of the theft, his voice it trembled strangely, as if a man bereft. 'Twould seem the owner valued this plaster-paris saint. He did, but not in money, for valuable it isn't. 'How much was it worth?' the policeman asked keenly. 'It ain't worth but 60 cents,' the owner said sternly.

So if anyone sees a burglar with a plaster-paris saint, tell Mr. West about it, he'll make a strong complaint. Citizens to Meet. The North Washington Citizens' Association will meet February 5 at the Gage School.

Lac quorum last night caused adjournment of the scheduled meeting. John E. Mills, seventy-four years old, father of nineteen children, of Washington, is a lucky man. He has been given a supply of free coal by the Rev. Simon P. W. Drey, pastor of the Cosmopolitan Baptist Church, Ninth and N streets northwest. Mills is included among the 'old cullud folks' who received a free supply of coal from the members of the colored Baptist church.

Presented With Medal. W. Clarence Duvall has been presented with a handsome gold medal by the Continental Fire Insurance Company of New York in recognition of lengthy service for the company. The medal bears on its face an embossed representation of a Continental soldier.

Church Site Sought. The Rev. F. Mandrell, pastor of the Christian Spiritualist Church, now meeting in the assembly room of Pythian Temple, announced today that a new location is being sought for the church.

Public Recital. The Washington Readers' Club will give a public recital this evening in the auditorium of the Public Library. Recitations will be given by Miss Ada Townsend, Miss Isabel Pechin, Claude Bennett, and Maurice Jarvis.

TO PRESS SCHOOL FIGHT

Takoma Park Committee Will Urge Need Before Senate Body. Impetus was given to Takoma Park's fight for a \$90,000 eight-room addition and assembly hall for the Takoma Park, D. C., public school, at a special meeting of the committee on education of the Takoma Park Citizens' Association last night, at the Takoma Park Library.

A statement was prepared for the Senate subcommittee of the Finance Committee, setting forth in brief form the urgent need of the addition. Both the Board of Education and the Commissioners recommended the addition, but the House failed to include the item in the bill. The association desires the item inserted in the measure by the Senate.

Both the first and second grades are forced to attend for a half day each, alternating between morning and afternoon sessions, said Prof. H. Gore, chairman of the committee, today. 'This arrangement is exceedingly injurious, as the children of this age who are forced to attend in the afternoon are tired out by their morning's play before they go to school. Furthermore, it is nearly dark before they are dismissed, and completely dark before many of them reach their homes.'

URGENT \$3 DAILY WAGE

Stenographers' Union Will Again Meet A. F. of L. Officials. Representatives of the Stenographers', Typewriters', Bookkeepers' and Assistants' Union will meet tomorrow afternoon with officials of the American Federation of Labor for a further conference regarding wage increases for clerical workers in the American Federation of Labor headquarters.

The conference will be held in the offices of the federation, Ninth street and Massachusetts avenue, at 5 o'clock. President Samuel Gompers will preside. Resolutions requesting the federation and the International Association of Machinists to increase the wages of all their employees over 18 years of age to a minimum of \$3 per day were unanimously adopted last night at the weekly meeting of the Central Labor Union at Typographical Temple. Copies of the resolutions were forwarded today to Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor and Secretary Preston of the International Association of Machinists.

ARRANGING FOR RALLY

Girl Scout Captains to Hold Affair in High School Gym. The Girl Scout Captains' Club met yesterday afternoon at the Navy League House and made final plans for a rally to be held at Central High school gymnasium on February 6. Mrs. Charles Rafter presided. A report was made on the Christmas activities of the scouts. Letters recently received were read complimenting the girls on their work.

MAKES AN UNUSUAL CALL

Swedish Embassy Official Drives Through Plate Glass Window. Owners of the Dupont Flower Shop, Dupont circle and P street, were surprised when a member of the Swedish legation called in his automobile late yesterday afternoon. The manner of the call was most astonishing. Baron Akerhielm, driving his car, steered it into and partly through the plate glass window of the flower shop. He was endeavoring to avoid a street car, which was turning west into P street. The automobile went over the sidewalk, knocked down a waste paper box belonging to the District, struck Matilda Watkins, a colored girl, and ended in the plate glass window of the flower shop. Matilda Watkins was taken to Emergency Hospital.

RUSSIANS AT RIGA PRESS OFFENSIVE

Czar's Forces Advance in Violent Fighting on River Aa. LONDON, Jan. 9.—Russia's thrust on the Riga front assumed the importance of a continued offensive today. It has already gained considerable ground against the German columns and apparently was proceeding today with extraordinary violent fighting.

It is along the reaches of the Aa river apparently that the most bitter fighting is proceeding. Russian forces have made a distinct advance in this sector. Artillery firing has increased violently all along this line. Renewed advances on both sides of the Aa river were reported. Night advances of Russian raiding detachments between Friederichstadt and the road from Mitau to Olai were unsuccessful.

BERLIN ADMITS LOSSES

Russians Recapture Island in Fighting Below Riga. BERLIN (via Sayville wireless), Jan. 9.—A Russian attack, made in a dense snowstorm, recaptured the island of Claudon, north of Illuxt, taken from them by German forces on January 4, today's official statement said, in describing the fighting south of Riga.

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BRITISH CRUISER IN PACIFIC

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—The presence in the Pacific Ocean of a British auxiliary cruiser, presumably a former Peninsular and Oriental liner, was reported here today by officers of the Norwegian steamer Cuzoo, which arrived from Mexican ports. The vessel encountered by the Cuzoo was a steamer of about 11,000 tons, which demanded the Cuzoo's nationality when off Cape San Lucas, Lower California.

CANADIAN LOSSES HEAVY

OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—Canadian casualties from the opening of the war to December 31 total 68,290, as follows: Killed, 10,854; died of wounds, 4,910; died of sickness, 484; presumed dead, 1,108; wounded, 48,454; missing, 2,970. The casualties in 1915, when Canada had only one division at the front, totaled 14,453.

GERMAN RAIDERS REPULSED

PARIS, Jan. 9.—An unsuccessful attempt by Germans to raid a French trench north of Ribecourt, following an active bombardment, was reported in today's official statement. Elsewhere along the front the night was calm.

ANOTHER TOWN CAPTURED

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville), Jan. 9.—Capture of Galreaska, Roumania, by storm was announced in the official statement today. Yesterday ninety-five officers and 5,400 men of other ranks, with three cannon and ten machine-guns were captured.

BIG GUN FIRE INCREASES

BERLIN (via Sayville wireless), Jan. 9.—Increase of lively long distance artillery firing on both sides followed clear weather, today's official report from the Western war front announced.

Even Cross, Sick Children Love

Syrup of Figs Look at tongue! If feverish bilious, constipated, take no chances. 'California Syrup of Figs' can't harm tender stomach, liver, bowels.

Don't scold your fretful, peevish child. See his tongue is coated, this is a sure sign his little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with sour waste. When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep, or act naturally, has stomach ache, indigestion, diarrhoea, give a teaspoonful of 'California Syrup of Figs,' and in a few hours all the foul waste, the sour bile, and fermenting food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well and playful child again. Children love this harmless 'fruit laxative,' and mothers can rest easy after giving it, because it never fails to make their little 'insides' clean and sweet. Keep it handy, mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 6-cent bottle of 'California Syrup of Figs,' which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember, there are counterfeits sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the 'California Fig Syrup Company.' Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.—Adv.

THRONGS INSPECT HOLMES' BAKERY

Washingtonians Enjoy Romance of Breadmaking in Big Modern Plant. Scores who may have heard a travel-er talk one last evening—a travel-er talk of an hour or more, that might have been called the romance of modern bread-making. Holmes' Modern Bakery will continue to be 'at home' to the Washington public each evening except Saturday for several weeks. Expert demonstrators will conduct the visitors through the 100,000 feet of floor space of the big new bakery at 107-115 F street northwest, which, combined with the present plant, makes one of the largest and most completely equipped plants in the country.

Grandmotherly in classic bread maker, would marvel at the sights she could see there. Instead of the erst-while barrel of flour, for example, there are piles and piles of great 140-pound bags of flour stored on the top floor resting on skids to aerate it and avoid worm breeding.

Large Quantities Used. Where grandmothers apportioned their bread making by pounds and loaves, and 'pinches' of salt, and pints of milk, a great modern plant like this works in hundreds of pounds and loaves, in quarts of salt, and in gallons of milk.

The new building is fireproof, with iron stairways, and white enameled walls. In one respect grandmother differed not from the modern plant, as scrupulously clean in every nook and cranny as her kitchen. The Health Department once gave a rating of 99.75 per cent to this establishment. It even goes the home-made process one better by devices through which bread is handled usually but twice, at most three times, before it gets to the consumer.

Flour is sieved, three times, once on its way from the bags on the fourth floor, down chutes to the bins, again before it goes into the blender, and again after that. Large Mixing Room. On the third floor is the big mixing room, along a platform on one side the chutes which bring the flour from aloft, in quantities controlled by the operators, and ice boxes containing milk, supplied to this bakery by eight shippers.

Just off the platform are the big flour mixers, into which the milk is poured, and then the mixture runs out into the dough troughs. Thence the dough goes to the chute carrying it to the dough reservoirs for the scaling machine. On this floor is a testing laboratory, and a room containing kit for first aid treatment. For Employees' Comfort. The equipment for employees' comfort throughout the new plant is in the rear. There are locker rooms, wash rooms, shower baths, and ice water available everywhere.

The second floor is the baking place. The dough is divided into loaves in a 'rounder' and a belt device comes forth to convey these loaves, in fours, into an automatic proofer, remaining there eight minutes. From there it is fed into an elevator and conveyed to molding machines, and thence to a platform, where it is handled for the first time. The men put the loaves on racks, and it is put into a proof box, which does the same thing that grandmother accomplished by putting a cloth over the bowl of dough and letting it stand for several hours.

Bread Wrapped in Paper. Then the loaves go to the great draw plate ovens, each plate holding 450 loaves, and these plates slide back and forth into the ovens on roller devices.

From the ovens the bread is conveyed to the wrapping room, where it is wrapped into paper, and hands o not touch the bread again until it is opened in the buyer's home. On F street the bakery extends from 107 to 115, and it also occupies a frontage from 608 to 618 on First street. Lewis Holmes is president of Holmes' Modern Bakery, and Leon S. Ulman is vice president, treasurer and general manager.

FAVORS PAY INCREASE

Congressman Taggart Addresses Interior Clerks' Union. Increased pay for Government clerks was favored by Congressman Joseph Taggart of Kansas in an address last night before the Interior branch of the Federal Employees' Union.

'The Standard of Efficiency' was the subject of a short talk by E. J. Ayers, chief clerk of the Interior Department. Officers chosen for the following year are Thomas R. Manning, president; Mrs. Angela F. Southard, secretary; James P. Briggs, mediator; Morris E. Sabin, guardian; James H. Kaecker, member of the executive committee.

ONE HONOR CONVICT OVERSTAYS HOLIDAY

Editor of Kansas Prison Paper Violates His Parole and Is Brought Back. LANSING, Kan., Jan. 9.—'Tex' Schapper, one-time 'honor man,' editor of the Kansas prison paper, and the only one of seventeen prisoners to overstay his ten-day holiday, is just an 'ordinary convict' in his cell here today.

Schapper, who has been the chief exponent of the honor system through the columns of the prison paper, was brought back to Lansing from Fort Worth, Texas, by a deputy and received as any other prisoner who had violated his parole. He was taken to the receiving cell and 'dressed in,' then taken to his own cell.

He had left the prison as honor man—he had returned a convict. There was no warm welcome from Warden Codding. Neither did he see his fellows—the sixteen other honor prisoners—and receive their greetings. Warden Codding would not see 'Tex' today, and as he made, this known there was a hint of sadness and disappointment in his voice.

'He will be given a chance to address himself—tomorrow, maybe,' Codding said. 'If he can clear himself his privileges will be restored to him.'

BURGLARS ENTER HOMES

Many Petty Thefts Are Reported to Police. A thief entered the home of Edward Davis, 500 F street southwest, early this morning and left with jewelry, clothing, and money, valued in all at \$88.13. The articles reported stolen are a gold watch, valued at \$40, two overcoats valued at \$20; forks, spoons and knives, valued at \$8, and 13 cents from a pocketbook.

Townsend Myers, who lives in the rear of 218 N street northwest, reports a thief stole effects valued in all at about \$5. J. M. Nightingale, 1218 First street southwest, has reported to the police the theft of an overcoat while he was at work at North Capitol and K streets, yesterday afternoon.

Annie Coleman, 1828 Second street southwest, states someone stole a push cart from the front of her residence this morning. A robber entered the home of Mrs. Denia Higgins, 1012 Sixth street northwest, through an open window. The thief removed clothing valued at \$108.50.

St. James Hotel—Dancing Tunes, and Sat. night 9 to 12. Good music. H. T. Wheeler, Prop.—Adv.

FUNERAL RITES FOR CAPITAL RESIDENTS

Places and Times of Services Arranged by Bereaved Families. John Jost. The Rev. J. Phelps Hand, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church will officiate at the funeral of John Jost, tomorrow afternoon. The services will be held at his residence, 801 C street northeast. Interment will be in Congressional cemetery. Jost was an employe of the Postoffice Department.

SUES FOR \$5,000 DAMAGES.

Oscar Liming, a minor, by his father, J. F. Liming, today instituted suit in the District Supreme Court to recover \$5,000 damages from J. S. Wiley, claiming that he received permanent physical injuries as the result of being run down by an automobile of the defendant at Sixth and F streets northwest on November 14, last. The plaintiff is represented by Attorney F. D. Davison.

LOCAL MENTION.

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Advertisement for Kann's Daily Bulletin. Open Daily 8:45 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. Values, Prices, Timeliness The Strength of Our CLEARANCE SALE COATS and SUITS. Women are looking forward to the needs for new suits and coats for inauguration wear, and will recognize tomorrow's opportunity in these still further reductions, as follows: COATS Formerly Selling up to \$29.75 at \$19.75. Suits Formerly Selling up to \$40.00 at \$23.50. All the wanted materials and colors, in the late winter styles, which will also be desirable for early Spring. These are in all regular sizes, also in the extra sizes. Kann's—Second Floor.

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